

Appendix C

Declaration, Power of Attorney, and
Petition Executed by Gerard Gallez
on Behalf of Actaris S.A.S. for
Non-Signing Inventor

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND PETITION

Docket No. P000175

I, **Gérard Gallez** President of ACTARIS S.A.S., hereby declare that :

I am a citizen of France, residing at 50 Avenue Jean Jaurès, 92120 Montrouge, France

I am authorized by the following juristic entity with sufficient proprietary interest,

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By virtue of this proprietary interest, I sign this declaration of behalf of, and as agent for :
Christophe LELEU, a non-signing inventor who has refused to sign.

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On behalf of ACTARIS S.A.S., as a below named Inventor/Entity with sufficient proprietary interest, I hereby declare that :

I believe ACTARIS S.A.S., has sufficient proprietary interest to sign a behalf of Christophe LELEU, the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled :

"A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEASURING THE PROPAGATION TIME OF A SIGNAL, IN PARTICULAR AN ULTRASOUND SIGNAL"

the specification of which

(check one)

is attached hereto

was filed on :

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was assigned Application Serial No. 09/914,512

and was amended on _____ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT International Application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America having a filing date before that of the application of



which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application (s)

Priority Claimed

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| <u>99 02672</u> | <u>France</u> | <u>03 MARCH 1999</u> | <u>YES</u> |
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| <u>PCT/FR00/00484</u> | <u>France</u> | <u>25 FEBRUARY 2000</u> | <u>YES</u> |
| (Number) | (Country) | (Day/Month/Year Filed) | |

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112

I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:


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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Full name the sole inventor/entity with sufficient proprietary interest :
ACTARIS S.A.S.,


Gérard GALLEZ, on behalf of
ACTARIS S.A.S.,

Date : 09 September 2002